

# TOWN OF TYNGSBOROUGH

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Selectmen's Meeting Agenda

Monday May 14, 2007

6:00 P.M.

Town Offices

Members present: Selectman Jay Booth, Selectman Kevin O'Connor, Selectwoman Jacqueline Schnackertz, Selectman Rich Lemoine and Selectwoman Karyn Puleo

Staff Present: Town Administrator Rosemary Cashman, and Admin Assistant Therese Gay

Selectwoman Puleo called the meeting to order at 6:05P.M., the Board was introduced, and Selectwoman Schnackertz read this evening's agenda.

The Chair led the meeting in a moment of silence in memory of Officer John (Jack) Georges who passed away this past Tuesday while at work.

### 1. 6:00 P.M. Board Reorganization

A motion was made by Selectman O'Connor to nominate Rich Lemoine as Chairman, Kevin O'Connor as Vice-Chairman and Karyn Puleo as Clerk, second by Selectwoman Schnackertz. The Board voted unanimously.

2. 6:05 P.M. Public Hearing – Town Beach Playground – Maplewood Avenue The Board is holding a public hearing to inform the residents of Maplewood Avenue, Cedar Grove Avenue and Mascuppic Trail of the intent to add playground equipment at the town beach. The Recreation Director and the President of the Lake Mascuppic Association were before the Board to discuss the playground equipment. The neighbors voiced their concerns if the playground is established. Some of the concerns were rowdy young people, underage drinking, and vandalism. Who will be monitoring the beach after dusk? The Board will work with the police department to step up patrols around the beach and will be talking with the acting chief and the new chief about the problem. The Board also asks that the neighbors report any incidents to the police. Everyone supports the placement of new playground equipment. The association will also install a motion light to deter any vandalism. The other issue is not having a lifeguard. The money was not in the budget this year, but the Selectmen will make it a priority to bring back the lifeguard next year. The Board will schedule a public meeting in September to revisit any issues that have arisen in the summer months. The Recreation Commission will be meeting the first Wednesday of June to discuss the rules and regulations for the beach; everyone is invited to attend. The Chair hearing no further discussions entertained a motion to close the hearing.

A motion was made by Selectwoman Schnackertz to close the public hearing, second by Selectman O'Connor. The Board vote unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectwoman Puleo to approve the proposal as listed in the petition submitted by the Lake Mascuppic Association in conjunction with the Recreation & Parks Department, 1) Clean and rake beach and bring in new washed beach sand; 2) Set up four new picnic tables; 3) Set up new trash and recycling receptacles; Erect a new swing set for ages two to twelve to accommodate four children (and slide in the future); 5) Install a tetherball set that comes apart for evening storage; 6) Install a horseshoe pit (bring your own horseshoes); 7) Install a park bench or two on the concrete wall; 8) Install a new security door on the shed to prevent theft; 9) Install a motion light on the shed to illuminate the beach to prevent trespassing and vandalism at night; and 10) Erect new safety and rules signs, second by Selectman Booth. The Board voted unanimously.

## 3. 6:30 P.M. Conservation Director Appointment

The Town Administrator received notification from the Conservation Commission supporting the appointment of Matt Marro as the new Director. Mr. Marro, an applicant for the position has been working as a consultant.

The Commission is very pleased with his performance and ask that Mr. Marro be appointed as the Conservation Director.

A motion was made by Selectwoman Schnackertz to appoint Matt Marro as the Conservation Director, second by Selectman O'Connor. The Board voted unanimously.

#### 4. 6:45 P.M. Citizen's Time

Ms. Koehane, School Committee Member, took this opportunity to introduce Mr. David Vining of Heart Screen America. This organization was formed out of concern that young athletes were dying from heart attacks on athletic fields and courts. The Tyngsborough Parent/Teachers Association is sponsoring a screening for the Tyngsborough students and for residents. The dates and times were announced and anyone who wishes to register can do so on line. Heart Screen American will forward through the PTO a certificate of insurance, a hold harmless clause and a letter of indemnification to the School Committee and they in turn will forward that information to the Town Administrator. Mr. Vining thanked the Board for allowing him to speak about his organization and what they do. The Board is supportive of this screening.

## 5. 7:00 P.M. Town Meeting Warrants and Budget Discussions

The Board reviewed the warrants and budget for tomorrow night's town meeting. The Selectmen, Finance Committee and the School Committee have worked hard to finalize the budget. Selectwoman Puleo will be making the motions and Selectman O'Connor will second the motions. The Board acknowledged the letter from the School Committee withdrawing the technology article. The Board continued their review of remaining articles.

#### Annual Town Meeting Articles:

A motion was made by Selectwoman Schnackertz to recommend article #17, second by Selectman Booth. The Board voted unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectwoman Schnackertz to recommend article #18, second by Selectman O'Connor. The Board voted unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectwoman Schnackertz to withdraw article #26, second by Selectman Booth. The Board voted unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectman O'Connor to recommend article #27, second by Selectwoman Schnackertz. The Board voted unanimously.

### Special Town Meeting Articles:

A motion was made by Selectwoman Schnackertz to recommend article #4, second by Selectman O'Connor. The Board voted unanimously.

The Board will make recommendation on article #5 at town meeting.

A motion was made by Selectwoman Schnackertz to recommend the sum of \$200,000 on article #6. The Board voted unanimously.

A motion was made by Selectwoman Schnackertz to transfer from available funds the sum of \$120,000 to the reserve fund on article #7, second by Selectman O'Connor. The Board voted unanimously.

## 6. 7:35 P.M. Municipal Partnership Act

The Board discussed the pros and cons of the municipal partnership act and agrees that it would benefit small communities like ours. The Board is in support and will send a letter of support and to request the House and Ways subcommittee move this legislation forward.

A motion was made by Selectwoman Puleo to send a letter signed by the Board in support and to move the act forward, second by Selectman O'Connor. The Board voted unanimously.

### 7. Other Business (if necessary)

## A. Letter of Appreciation

The Board voted to send a thank you letter to Mr. McNamara of the Dept. of Fisheries & Wildlife for his efforts in the purchase of a large parcel of land (the Greene property) that will be preserved in perpetuity as open space and conservation land.

A motion was made by Selectman Booth to accept and sign the letter as read, second by Selectwoman Schnackertz. The Board voted unanimously.

#### 8. Correspondence

A motion was made by Selectwoman Puleo to accept the correspondence, second by Selectman O'Connor. The Board voted unanimously.

#### 9. Selectmen's Notes

Selectman Booth discussed the municipal partnership act and asks the citizens to contact their representative and senator. Selectman O'Connor talked about the untimely passing of Officer Jack Georges. Selectwoman Schnackertz expressed that our prayers and thoughts are with the Georges' family. A reminder that Friday is the Top 10 breakfast for the high school seniors. Selectwoman Puleo thanked the citizens for voting her back in office, and she is looking to move forward to working on a three year financial plan. Selectman Lemoine reminds that the housing consortium is meeting on Thursday and that the Town Meeting is Tuesday, May 15; everyone is welcomed.

10. Town Administrator's Notes

The Town Administrator is working towards tomorrow's town meeting and finishing the bid process on various items.

- 11. Work Session (If Necessary)

  No work session this evening.
- 12. Executive Session (If Necessary)

  No executive session this evening.
- 13. Adjournment

The Board having no further business the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn.

A motion was made by Selectwoman Puleo to adjourn the meeting, second by Selectwoman Schnackertz. The Board vote unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Therese Gay Admin Assistant

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